

# ARIZONA.

## News and Comments Pertaining to the Territory at Large.

It took \$25,000.23 to run the Coconino county government during the last three months ending April 1st.

A soda fountain tank exploded in a U. & P. railroad car at Phoenix one day last week, completely wrecking the car.

E. W. Williams is now in charge of the Arizona Copper company's store at Clifton, succeeding L. Fraissenet, resigned.

The water supply of Bisbee is growing low. A request to avoid wasteful use of water has been made to all patrons of the water company.

The apricot shipment this season from Phoenix sold for \$180,000. This is a neat little sum from one industry and the crop is not all harvested yet, says the Gazette.

A Phoenix commission firm forwarded, last Saturday, via New York, to Liverpool, England, a car of apricots from the Glendale orchard. This is the first shipment abroad of Arizona apricots.

Reports come from Oak Creek, says the Jerome News, that there has been lately a great deal of trout fishing being done in that stream out of season. If this be so the territorial fish commissioner has certainly not been doing his duty.

James Colquhoun, general manager of the Arizona Copper company, has gone to Scotland, to meet his family who have been in Scotland for nearly a year. They will visit the Paris exposition, and expect to return to Clifton, Arizona, in October.

The Guardian says: Some months ago Judge McCollum entered suit for an Indian depredation claim for A. H. Bennett of San Jose. Word was received from Washington this week that judgment had been rendered in favor of Mr. Bennett.

President McKinley has sent in the names of Chief Justice J. R. Reed and associates of the court of private claims, among the recent nominations made by him. All the judges are known here. The nominations apparently mean continuance for two years. They were originally appointed by President Cleveland.

In the suit of the Santa Fe, Prescott and Phoenix railroad to restrain the city of Phoenix from taxing its property in the municipality, Judge Street in the district court ruled that only the territorial board of equalization could assess railroad property. This road was built under taxation exemption act.

Dr. Parker informed the Safford Guardian that, while Robt. Weaver, whose death was reported in last week's Guardian, was bitten by a skunk—death was not caused by hydrophobia, but from a severe attack of biliousness and exposure on the cattle range, which caused heart failure. The doctor says the skunk bite had nothing to do with his death.

There is a rumor in this city, says the Phoenix Gazette, that the canal companies are getting ready to promote a plan whereby the water is to be divided to the land, and when the land and water are once joined they cannot be segregated. This, if carried out, will work greatly to the advantage of the people of this valley and will forever put a stop to the system of floating water rights.

The Santa Fe Pacific railway company has made a new departure that will be of considerable interest and profit to Arizona; more especially to the territory. A mining engineer has been added to the information bureau and a competent man has been chosen whose duty it is to visit the various sections of Arizona, locate and report mineral, and thus assist in attracting capital as well as to intelligently direct railroad building.—Enterprise.

It is the opinion of those who are familiar with the conditions in this section, says the Flagstaff Gem, that the Santa Fe Pacific railroad company will put in a pipe line from Oak Creek to this place to supply their locomotives and trains with a good quality of water. If they put the line in it will not only be of great benefit to the company but it will also help Flagstaff.

Many people have considered as a joke our statement that there were few flies and no mosquitoes in Prescott before the taxless was built, says the Courier, but it is a cold fact. The flies all leave the Salt River valley in the summer now and come to Prescott. As the hot weather approaches, the flies congregate on the north side of the taxless train as it pulls out of Phoenix and stay there until Prescott is reached, when they scatter out over the town. Mosquitoes do not come in such large numbers.

Frank Woodfine, a consumptive, died Tuesday night at a southside lodging house, says the Mohave County Miner, published at Kingman. He had been here but four days and was evidently without means. He came here from Globe, but had evidently lived in Butte and Melrose, Montana. The coroner ordered the body buried at the expense of the county.

The Range News says, it an assured fact that the K. P. lodge at Wilcox will erect an imposing hall this summer. It is designed to be a two story brick structure, the second story will be fitted up in modern style for a lodge room, and the ground floor for an opera house having a seating capacity of at least 500 people. Plans and specifications are being prepared.

Dr. Hughes, of Phoenix, was called into the country to visit a woman suffering with severe pain in her head, and after examination extracted 100 screw worms from her nose. Dr. Hughes says that he has such experiences every summer. It behooves the people to be careful of the screw worm fly. It is gray in color and resembles the common house fly otherwise, but it will deposit its eggs and do its mischief in less than one second.

Four years ago Arizona spent the sum of \$152,438 to pay her teachers' salaries, and held \$428,935 of school property. To understand something of the material growth of our school system, compare the sums with the amounts found in like columns of Governor Murphy's report for the year ending June 30, 1899; teachers' salaries, \$78,114; school property, \$400,594. There is a steady growth which should be gratifying to all interested.

The Bisbee correspondent of the Tombstone Prospector of May 31, says: A sensational arrest was made yesterday when Con. O'Keefe, of Cobre Grande fame, was brought into court on a charge of burglary preferred by W. C. Green, of Con. Green Co. fame. The latter avers that the former forcibly broke into his office when the place was closed. O'Keefe was released under bond pending examination which will be held tomorrow. It is thought the outcome will serve to aggravate more litigation in the Cobre Grande and the Con. Green Co. matters.

The people of the Salt river valley have made "much ado about nothing" over these forest reserves. Stock running on them has not, nor will it ever damage them to any considerable extent. The water courses which drain the greater portion of the watershed of the reserves empty into the big Colorado, through the Colorado Chiquito. The principal streams which run into Salt river are the White and Black rivers, and both of these streams head on the White Mountain Apache reservation, and the greater portion of their watershed is protected from stock by the Indian reservation.—Winslow Mail.

The Arizona penitentiary is earning a reputation as a sanitarium for those suffering from the morphine habit, says the Republican. Swiftly, the colored prize fighter, and Pearl Hart, the female stage robber, both apparently hopelessly wrecks when they were put in have been cured of the habit and are getting fat. Pearl Hart's case is manifesting itself in a more alarming direction than in holding up of stages. She has taken to writing poetry and is unwinding it by the yard. One of her themes is, "The Girl Bandit." She writes also of her innocent childhood. "When She was Young and Knew no Sin Before the Tempter Entered In." Then follows a lot of doggerel of the rapid descent.

There was another killing at Guthrie Tuesday evening. Simon Herrera who has been working for G. E. Hopkins, coming home from work found Francisco Garcia playing the guitar for Mrs. Herrera. He took his ax and split Garcia's head open. He then pulled out the ridge pole that supported his back, letting the brush down on the dead man, drew his time, cashed his check, and with his wife left for parts unknown. The dead body was not discovered until 24 hours later. The murderer and his wife are supposed to have come in this direction, and officers are here from Clifton in the hope of heading them off. The dead man is a nephew of Bonifacio Garcia of this place.—Lordsburg Liberator.

The suit brought by the supervisors of Pinal county against the bondsmen of the defaulting county treasurer was tried at Florence Monday, says the Republican. The supervisors brought suit to recover \$6,500 of the first and second term bondsmen of Treasurer Brady. The bondsmen who were the

su-ties of Brady upon his second term of office, claim that the accounts of the treasurer were short before their bond was filed, hence they were not responsible. Of these bondsmen several live in Tucson. The case was tried before a jury, and when evidence was produced by Accountant Ben Heney, showing that contention of the second term bondsmen was correct, the district judge requested the jury to return a verdict allowing the county judgment in the sum of \$1000. Some time ago the bondsmen offered to settle the matter by paying to the county \$4,000 upon their bond of \$50,000. The county supervisors refused to accept the offer, and the bondsmen are now glad they took the course they did.

That there will be a railroad built from Solomonville to the Clifton and Morenci Copper districts, in the near future, no man who is acquainted with the necessities of such a line and the large volume of business which awaits its coming, can have reasonable doubt. It is known that that grading on the Morenci and Southern railway is being made standard gauge on that part of the line going up the river to Guthrie. This is sufficient evidence to base an assumption that a standard gauge road is to connect the mineral country in that vicinity with either the Southern Pacific or with the Santa Fe at or near Deming. If a standard gauge connection is sought with the Southern Pacific, it is believed it can be made much cheaper at Solomonville than at Lordsburg. If the connection should be made with the Santa Fe then there would be nothing surer than that the Santa Fe would hurry its line to this valley where it would be in a position to compete for the large amount of freight which comes to the towns along the Gila and to Globe.—Bulletin.

### A Rich Man's Project.

A rich man's statement that he intends to devote his entire fortune to charitable works has aroused much discussion. This is because it will accomplish much good. It is a praiseworthy endeavor, but there are many other agencies which accomplish just as much good. Take Hostetter's stomach bitters for instance—the great American remedy. For 50 years it has cured constipation, dyspepsia and all the ills which arise from weak digestion. This medicine will keep the stomach in good shape and the bowels regular. It is a wonderful restorative tonic and health builder. It is also a preventative for malaria, fever and ague. Ask for it, and insist upon having it. See that a private revenue stamp covers the neck of the bottle.

### Ice for the Poor at Cost.

Ice at a penny a cake is to be furnished to the poor of Chicago during the hot summer months. This is the plan inaugurated by the Salvation Army. The intention is to purchase a large quantity and sell it from wagons without profit. Lieutenant-Colonel George French has already started the work of obtaining the money needed, and will receive subscriptions at the army headquarters, 84 Adams street. Plans have also been made to give the overworked mothers and the children among the poor an outing. On June 23 an excursion to Waukegan by boat will be given for the mothers and children. About 800 are to take the trip, and each will be furnished with a box of food on the boat and two more boxes to take home with them when the boat returns to Chicago. A two months' camp will be established at Hinsdale, Ill., where the children will be taken in parties of 15 for a week's outing.

### She Had Her Wish.

"Cyrus Barker, remove your arm!" For, in an apparently careless manner, he had placed it upon the back of her chair. Stung by the tone of her voice no less than by her words, the young man flushed deeply. "Is that the greeting you give me, Angeline Ashcraft—you who professed to be so sorry when I went to the war, who wept upon my neck and said you would never have a moment of peace or happiness until I returned safely home again, who gave me a photograph, which I have carried next to my heart from that day to this?" he exclaimed. "Do you remember how you said you would be true to me, though thousands of miles of ocean might roll between us?" "O, yes! I remember all that." "You still insist," he went on, with exceeding bitterness, "that I remove my arm?" "I do." "So be it, then!" Calmly the young man arose, unscrewed his wooden arm, placed it at her feet and turned to go. "I hope, Miss Ashcraft," he said, "you are satisfied." But Miss Angeline Ashcraft had fainted.—Condensed from the Chicago Tribune.

Blume's Buffet serves the best lunches and drinks of all kinds.

### THE IMPERIAL CANAL.

A great Irrigation Project to Utilize the Water of the Colorado.

George Chaffey, who is at the head of the Imperial canal enterprise, came in last week from Los Angeles on business connected with the scheme, says the Yuma Sun. Mr. Chaffey has purchased the Ives dredger, which is now near Castle Dome landing, and will use the machine in the excavation of the Imperial waterway. The dredger will be floated down the river next week, and as soon as possible put to work at the head of the canal, which will be at or near Hall Haulon's place, ten miles below town.

The first work of the grand scheme will consist of about 114 miles of canal which will turn the waters of the Colorado into the old dry channel of what is known as Carter's river, and from thence it will again be turned out on the desert.

There are possibly a million acres to watered by this immense irrigation project, but it is only proposed to bring two hundred thousand acres under the magic wand of irrigation for the time being and from this beginning let the vast scheme come to a focus by easy stages.

The Imperial canal has ceased to be merely a projected canal and is now a stern reality. Mr. Chaffey informs us that it is proposed to have the water on the land by the 1st of January, 1901, and then the marriage of the majestic Colorado to the desert will be duly observed.

Mr. Chaffey spent many years in Australia, where he was engaged in putting in vast irrigation works for the British government and says that if the government of the United States could come to realize the merits of irrigation as has the British government a new empire and a new society would be built up in America. But at present it is a herculean task to convince eastern legislators of the real value and magnitude of irrigation opportunities which lie slumbering in the arid west.

Mr. W. S. Wheldon, cashier of the 1st national bank of Winterset, Iowa, in a recent letter, gives some experience with a carpenter in his employ, that will be of value to other mechanics. He says, "I had a carpenter working for me who was obliged to stop work for several days on account of being troubled with diarrhoea. I mentioned to him that I had been similarly troubled and that Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhoea remedy had cured me. He bought a bottle of it from the drugist here and informed me that one dose cured him, and he is again at his work." For sale by H. C. Hitchcock.

The St. John's Guild will have on hand from this date, for sale, ladies' aprons, dressing gowns, etc., children's dresses and underclothing. Plain sewing solicited. Parties desiring the above articles will find it to their advantage to apply to our treasurer, Mrs. Warren Young or to any member of the Guild, Mrs. James Wiley, President.

### The Kiss Quarrelsome.

The kiss is tabooed in the holy hamlet of Alameda.

To kiss a pretty woman in Alameda is regarded as a disturbance of the peace of the village, and if the kisses persist they assume the legal proportions of assault, and even battery.

John Kelly, enamored of the pouting lips of Mrs. Brock, was tempted and fell. He kissed those luring lips and kissed himself into jail. Alas, poor Kelly.

Justice Morris will decide whether John Kelly is guilty or not guilty, and the fate of the kissing Kelly may rise to the dignity of a legal precedent to be handed down to future generations of kissers as an encouragement to hesitancy or a warning to the audacious.—San Francisco Post.

### Notice to Creditors.

Estate of John Polley, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of said John Polley deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at Rye Gila county, Arizona territory, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said county of Gila.

SILAS MINKER,

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